

WIND OF THE SPIRIT MINISTRIES Newsletter

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# THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD—ALL OF IT!

When the apostle Paul wrote to the Believers in Ephesus, he included in that letter critical instructions on how, as Believers in Jesus, we are to face the Adversary and all that it represents in life.

"Finally, we strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. Our struggle is not against flesh and blood [people], but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of the dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." [Ephesians 6:10-121

THE BELT OF TRUTH: Jesus said that the reason he came was to testify to the truth. [John 18:37] He also declared, "I am the way, the truth and the life." [John 14:6] Again he said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then, you will know the truth and the truth will set you free." [John 8:31,32]

Jesus is our Belt of Truth with which we gird our lives and which holds all things in place. His truth keeps us from falling apart when we are faced with opposition or lies that do not stand up to the truth of his Word

BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS: Jesus is our righteousness. "If anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous One..." [I John 2:1] "The righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ." (Romans 3:22) Jesus is our Breastplate of Righteousness. He protects the vital organs of our faith.

SHOES OF PEACE: Jesus is our peace. Whenever he greeted his disciples he said, "Peace be with you." Peace was with them. He was there. He is the Prince of Peace. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." [John 14:27] We walk in his Peace.

THE SHIELD OF FAITH: "Faith is being sure of what we hope for, and certain of what we do not see. " [Hebrews 11:1]

Our hope is in Jesus Christ. Our absolute confidence and trust is in him and in what he said and did. He came that we might have abundant life here on earth and eternal life in heaven. [John 10:10] Our hope is in him who walks with us in the life we experience here and now, and promises that which is yet to come, eternal life, which we do not yet see in full.

That hope in Jesus quenches all the flaming arrows of the evil one, from whichever direction they might come—lies, judgments, curses, accusations, threats, and even death itself. He is our Shield!

THE HELMET OF SALVATION: The helmet is designed to protect the head that houses the brain and our ability to think. Jesus said and did only what he heard the Father saying and doing. [John 5:19, 12:50] Scripture reminds us that we have the "mind of Christ." [I Corinthians 2:16] Therefore, as followers of Jesus, we learn to say and do that which we see and hear Jesus saying and doing.

He is our Salvation. "We have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us." [Ephesians 1:7,8] Jesus is our Helmet!

THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT: The Sword of the Spirit is the Word of God. This Word of God "is living and active. Sharper than any double edged sword. It penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow. It judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight." [Hebrews 4:12, 13] Jesus is the Word of God, the Sword of the Spirit. He is our Defense!

**PRAY IN THE SPIRIT:** Pray all the time, for this keeps us in touch and in tune with the heart and will of God for our lives, thus clothing our selves in Jesus, the Whole Armor of God! lle

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### REPORTS OF WHAT GOD IS DOING

Thursday, September 19 Taipei stopover

Hi everyone,

We are in Taipei airport following a 13 hour flight over some rough weather on several occasions. However, we all slept some and the trip was a rather uneventful and pleasant one. We had just dropped off to sleep after take-off (2:10 am) and they woke us up at 3:30 for a full meal deal of chicken dinner. Hmmmm

Taipei is a beautiful place, but a llloooonnnngggg way between C3 where we came in and C1 from where we will leave for Manila in about 1 1/2 hour. Don't be fooled by closeness of numbers.

We're all doing well. Thanks for keeping us in prayer. We'll keep you pasted as we go along.

God bless you much, Larry, Audrey, Pam, Bob and Tracy

## Friday, September 20 Arrival in Philippines

Greetings to all of you in Jesus' name.

We arrived safely with everyone well and good. We were greeted at the airport by David and Josie, Pol and Evie, members of the WOSMPHIL Healing team. We then had a two hour trip to Tagaytay to the Bethesda Retreat House where we were greeted by Jesse and Del Carlos, gracious owners and hosts of the House. It was good to see them again after our time here in January.

Following a greater than good dinner with members of both teams, we had a time of prayer and going over the schedule for the next two weeks. Wow! This will be an exciting time. Kathleen has filled you in on some of the schedule - which is in flux. The meeting in Aurora will be an all day meeting, requiring that we leave here on Wednesday and returning on Friday.

We slept well last night - amidst thunder, lightening and rain storm. It really knows how to rain here. Washington rain is a drizzle in comparison! Claps of thunder served to encourage the dogs to join in barking and howling throughout the night. I think they finally wore themselves out and went to sleep. Either that or I did!

Today (Saturday) is a day of rest. Tomorrow we will attend Pastor Pol Penetrente's church where I will preach and we will all be involved in praying with people at the close of the service.

Sunday afternoon is a time of rest and then

on Monday we begin a very full two weeks. Thanks for keeping us in prayer.

Love in Jesus, Larry, Audrey, Pam, Bob, Tracy

Sunday, September 22 Worship in Water 1 (3:38am)

Today we worshiped in Pastor Pol's church in Cavite City, near Manila bay. much wind and rain. As we worshiped it poured rain and the sanctuary flooded up to the tops of our shoes. We practiced walking on water. It didn't work! We still had a great service for 2 1/2 hours.

Larry

Sunday, September 22 Worship in Water 2 (5:07am)

Beloved saints at home in the USA,

Good evening - or morning, depending on which side of the globe you happen to be,

We awoke this morning to another day of monsoon down-pour accompanied by much wind. After breakfast we left for Cavite City where Larry preached at the morning service. It was a blessed service, with a fairly good attendance in spite of the heavy rains. It took about 2 1/2 hours to travel there and we arrived just in time for the 2 1/2 hour service to begin, but "not to worry" God is in charge!

As we worshipped, water began seeping up through the tiles on the sanctuary floor and little by little it began to cover the entire floor up to about two inches deep. Everyone just went ahead and worshipped without interruption.

Following the message, prayer teams (ours and theirs) joined together to pray for several who came to the altar for prayer. No one rested in the spirit!. It would have been a soft, wet landing had that happened.

What a privilege to preach and pray with these beautiful brothers and sisters in Christ. Several requested prayer for families going through difficult times, plus health issues.

It has been a very full and blessed day. Thanks to all of you for your prayers. In all the traveling in very wet and slippery road conditions, we were safe going and coming.

Tomorrow we begin our first 2 day conference for pastors and workers. We are excited.

God bless all of you mightily, Larry, Audrey, Pam, Bob and Tracy.

Note: As we go to press, this is what we have heard from Team Philippines 2013. Please keep them all in your prayers for powerful ministry and safety along the way. All of the above is posted on our website along with a few pictures. Use the address below. Under Community choose Philippines 9/2013. We will be adding the letters and pictures as they come in. The Travelog begins at the bottom of the page and as items are added to the file they are added at the top so that you see the latest first.

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#### GOD'S WAYS ARE NOT OUR WAYS—HALLELUJAH!

As we began planning for our second trip to the Philippines this year, we knew that we would be teaming up with the Wind of the Spirit Team there to conduct the various ministry events. Therefore, we originally limited the team to four, with Audrey and Larry as teachers and Bob and Tracy Martello serving as business administrator and team devotion leader.

Then, God had more in mind. Pam Denton, wife of our church pastor, and a gifted person in her own right, felt called by God to go with us on this trip. All this within ten days of leaving for the three week trip.

Bob checked the airlines and a seat was still available for Pam on the same flight. After checking with our Philippines hosts, a room is still available at the retreat center where we will be staying, even though it is filled to overflowing because the first conference is right next door at the United Methodist Mission Camp.

Pam wondered what she could be doing if she went. In conversation with David Sablan in the Philippines I mentioned that Pam signed, as they have a deaf son in their family, would they be able to use Pam's gift were she to come?

David's response: "We do have a ministry for the deaf. I can organize an evangelistic meeting with our two batches of graduates and for a healing session. Also, I will try to organize a fellowship with Clergy Spouses and Pam can give a talk about the challenges and blessings of a Pastor's wife."

Does God know our needs before we ask? His word makes that very clear. All that God asks is that we be obedient, walk through the door that He opens for us, and enjoy the blessings that come as we enter into the ministry to others to which He calls us. What a great time to be in our Lord's Kingdom work!

## **Philippine Schedule**

Please post and pray for your team Larry & Audrey Eddings, Bob and Tracy Martello, **Pam Denton** 

When you receive this Newsletter, the team will have been in the Philippines since September 20. They have been conducting teaching, preaching and workshop sessions for pastors, church workers and other leaders throughout the Manila and Cavite area.

October 1—Travel to Baguio, Venus Hotel Venue

- 2-4—Manila Episcopal Area's Worker's Conference
  - 3—Larry Preaches for Morning Devotion and Evening Plenary Session, team ministry
  - 4—Return to Quezon City
- 6—Larry Lead Communion Service at Puno UMC, dedication of new library in Puno Church.
- 7—Return to USA, arriving SeaTac 8:12 p.m.

"The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear the sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone



# MINISTRY CALENDAR

#### PLEASE POST AND PRAY FOR THESE EVENTS

OTHER MINISTRY EVENTS ARE IN THE PLANNING STAGES
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OCTOBER 21-26	"The Journey Within" Seminar on Healing of Emotional Hurts, Silverdale United Methodist Church, Silverdale, WA
NOVEMBER	Larry and Audrey will spend much of the month of November writing and revising materials for publication. It will also be a planned time for rest and spiritual renewal.



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